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MEMORANDUM FOR UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR
PERSONNEL AND READINESS
UNDER SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY
DEPARTMENTS
DIRECTOR, JOINT STAFF
CHIEF, NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU

SUBJECT: Elimination of Lysergic Acid Diethylamide (LSD) from the DoD Standard Drug Testing Panel

Pursuant to a recommendation made by the Biological Testing Advisory Board (BTAB), LSD will be eliminated from the DoD standard drug testing panel (Tab A). This recommendation is based on the fact that over the past three years only 4 LSD positive specimens have been identified in 2,095,398 specimens screened for the presence of LSD.

Although the DoD Forensic Drug Testing Laboratories (FTDL) will no longer screen for LSD, LSD will be screened under the prevalence program maintained by the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (AFIP). Periodically, as determined by the BTAB, specimens at the various DoD FDTLs will be screened for the prevalence of LSD. This data will be reviewed by the BTAB and appropriate recommendations made to the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Counternarcotics, Counter Proliferation and Global Threats.

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Attachment: As stated



CUTOFF CONCENTRATIONS IN THE MILITARY DRUG ABUSE TESTING PROGRAM

INITIAL TESTING CUTOFF CONCENTRATIONS

Drug Class	Cutoff Concentration (ng/mL)	
Amphetamines	500	
Cannabinoids	50	
Cocaine Metabolites	150	
Designer Amphetamines	500	
Phencyclidine	25	
Opiates (Morphine/Codeine)	2000	
Opiate (6-monoacetylmorphine)	10	
Opiates (Oxycodone/Oxymorphone)	100	

CONFIRMATION CUTOFF CONCENTRATIONS

Initial Presumptive	Confirmation Drug/	Cutoff	Reported Drug
Positive Test	Metabolite	(ng/mL)	Use
Amphetamines	Amphetamine	100	d-Amphetamine
	Methamphetamine	100	d-Methamphetamine
Designer	Methylenedioxymethamphetamine	500	MDMA
Amphetamines	Methylenedioxyamphetamine	500	MDA
-	Methylenedioxyethylamphetamine	500	MDEA
Cannabinoids	Tetrahydrocannabinol-carboxylic acid	15	THC
Cocaine Metabolites	Benzoylecgonine	100	Cocaine
Phyencyclidine	Phencyclidine	25	PCP
Opiates	Morphine	4000	Morphine
Codeine/Morphine	Codeine	2000	Codeine
	6-monoacetylmorphine	10	Heroin ¹
Opiates			
6-monacetylmorphine	6-monoacetylmorphine	10	Heroin
Opiates			
Oxycodone/	Oxycodone	100	Oxycodone
Oxymorphone	Oxymorphone	100	Oxymorphone

¹ Morphine concentration must be equal to or greater than 4000 ng/mL